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SINGAPORE CORRESPONDENT

Banks.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP " 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 9,520,000

Head Office: YOKOHAMA.
Branches and Agencies:
TOKIO, KOBÉ,
NAGASAKI, LONDON,
LYONS, NEW YORK,
SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU,
BOMBAY, SHANGHAI,
TIENTSIN, NEWCHANG,
PEKING, DALNY.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.
PARIS BANK, LD.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND
SMITHS BANK, LD.

HONGKONG BRANCH: INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.
On fixed deposits for 6 months at 4 per cent.
On fixed deposits for 3 months at 3 per cent.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.
Hongkong, 7th November, 1904. [21]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND: Sterling Reserve \$17,000,000
Silver Reserve \$7,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
A. J. RAYMOND, Esq., Chairman.
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CHIEF MANAGER: HONGKONG: J. R. M. SMITH.
MANAGER: SHANGHAI: H. M. BEVIS.

LONDON BANKERS: LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG: INTEREST ALLOWED: On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent. On fixed deposits for 6 months at 4 per cent. On fixed deposits for 3 months at 3 per cent.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS: For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per annum. For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per annum. For 12 months, 4 1/2 per cent. per annum. J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 20th August, 1904. [22]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS is allowed at 3 1/2 per cent. per annum. Depositors may transfer to their credit balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum. For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1904. [23]

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL Sh. Taels 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: SHANGHAI. BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES: Berlin, Calcutta, Hankow, Tientsin, Tsingtau (Kiautschou).

LONDON BANKERS: Messrs. N. M. ROTHCHILD & SONS, UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD. DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY DIRECTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. H. FIGGE, Manager.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1904. [25]

Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIESSSEN & Co. Hongkong, 28th May, 1904. [52]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS. GOLD \$7,897,391.30—about £1,615,000. CAPITAL AND SURPLUS AUTHORIZED GOLD \$10,000,000—£2,055,000.

HEAD OFFICE: 1, WALL STREET, NEW YORK. LONDON OFFICE: THREADNEEDLE HOUSE, E.C.

BRANCHES AT: SAN FRANCISCO, WASHINGTON, MEXICO, PANAMA, MANILA, CEBU, SHANGHAI, SINGAPORE, PENANG, YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ, BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, CANTON, AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

LONDON AND CONTINENTAL BANKERS: NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED.

UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD. CREDIT LYONNAIS, DRESDENER BANK, COMPTOIR NATIONAL D'ESCOMPTE, DE PARIS, &c.

THE Corporation transacts every Description of Banking and Exchange Business, receives Money in Current Account and issues Fixed Deposit Receipts either in Gold or Silver at Rates which may be ascertained on Application.

HONGKONG BRANCH: 20, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL. CHARLES R. SCOTT, Manager.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1904. [19]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Taels. SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 5,000,000 PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

Head Office: SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies: CANTON, PENANG, CHEFOO, SINGAPORE, HANKOW, TIENTSIN, PEKING.

THE Bank purchases and receives for collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH: Advances made on approved securities. Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS: 3 1/2 per annum—Fixed Deposits for 3 months. 4 1/2 per annum—Fixed Deposits for 6 months. 5 1/2 per annum—Fixed Deposits for 12 months.

H. C. MARSHALL, Acting Manager. Hongkong, 17th May, 1903. [18]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853. HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000 RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000 RESERVE FUND £800,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent. " " " 6 " " 3 1/2 " " " 3 " " 2 1/2 " " " 2 " " 2 " T. P. COCHRANE, Manager.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1904. [24]

FINEST COD LIVER OIL.

HIGHLY recommended for COUGHS, COLDS, and all affections of the Chest and Lungs. It is highly nutritious, and, in fact, acts as a food, especially in cases of Consumption and wasting diseases.

IN BOTTLES AT \$1, 1/2, AND 3/4 EACH.

THE PHARMACY, 房藥大法中

56, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Hongkong.

A. STEVENSON, Chemist.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1904. [122]

Mails.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL ON REMARKS.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and AMSTERDAM, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID & MARSEILLES.
CANDIA Dec. 21st Freight and Passage.
H. E. Kitchin, R.N.R. Noon.

YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBÉ. (Passing through the Inland Sea).
JAVA About 26th Freight and Passage.
S. Barham December.

SHANGHAI COROMANDEL About 31st Freight and Passage.
G. M. Montford, R.N.R. December.

LONDON, &c. BENGAL Dec. 31st See Special Advertisement.
G. Philipps Noon.

For Further Particulars, apply to

Hongkong, 20th December, 1904.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. [4]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR: SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.

PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.

PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH WEDNESDAY, 21st December.

SEYDLITZ WEDNESDAY, 4th January, 1905.

ROON WEDNESDAY, 18th January.

BAYERN WEDNESDAY, 1st February.

ZIETEN WEDNESDAY, 15th February.

SACHSEN WEDNESDAY, 1st March.

PRINZESS ALICE WEDNESDAY, 15th March.

PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD WEDNESDAY, 29th March.

PREUSSEN WEDNESDAY, 12th April.

PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH WEDNESDAY, 26th April.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 21st day of December, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH," of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Capt. E. Prehn, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 19th December, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 20th December, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on TUESDAY, the 20th December.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Cubic Feet in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses. Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS. [3]

Hongkong, 7th December, 1904.

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.,

BRITISH MADE DOVER COOKING STOVES.

\$45.00 EACH \$55.00 EACH

OIL HEATING STOVES From \$8.50 to \$22.00 each.

SLOW-COMBUSTION HEATING STOVES, \$18.00 and \$22.00 each.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, 20th December, 1904. [38]

CALDBECK MACGREGOR & CO.

WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS, 15, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

ESTABLISHED 1864. Hongkong, 8th December, 1904. [41]

Intimations.

Bovril gives strength,

nourishment and sustenance. It is agreeable to the taste, is stimulating in its effects, is easily assimilated and digested. Bovril contains blood-enriching and muscle-building properties. Some of the leading athletes of the day train on Bovril.



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1 doz. 2 doz. Bottles. 4 Bottles.
MOET & CHANDON'S "DRY IMPERIAL" \$59.00 \$62.00
AYALA & Co. EX. QUALITY, EX. DRY 54.00 57.00
DE LOSSY, HOLDEN, VINTAGE 1892 42.00
CHAS. LOUBET & Co. 40.00 42.00
CH. DES CHARMIERES 35.00 37.00
PAUL ROUSSET & FILS 19.00 21.00

H. PRICE & CO., 12, QUEEN'S ROAD. [41]

JOHN DEWAR SONS & Co., PERTH

WHISKY,

Extra Special \$16.00 per case 12/1

White Label \$24.00 " " 12/1

KRUSE & Co. SOLE AGENTS. [778]

CONNAUGHT HOUSE, Hongkong, 1st July, 1904.

This space is reserved for

LONG, HING & Co.,

PHOTO GOODS DEALERS, 17, QUEEN'S ROAD. Hongkong, 18th August, 1904. [946]

ACHEE & Co.,

17A, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

FURNITURE DEALERS.

TELEPHONE 256. Hongkong, 19th November, 1904. [833]

HONGKONG HOTEL.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1903. [126]

MACAO AND CANTON HOTELS.

A LITTLE CHANGE.

The round trip from HONGKONG to MACAO, thence to CANTON and back to HONGKONG, will be found interesting and enjoyable. Wm. FARMER, Proprietor.

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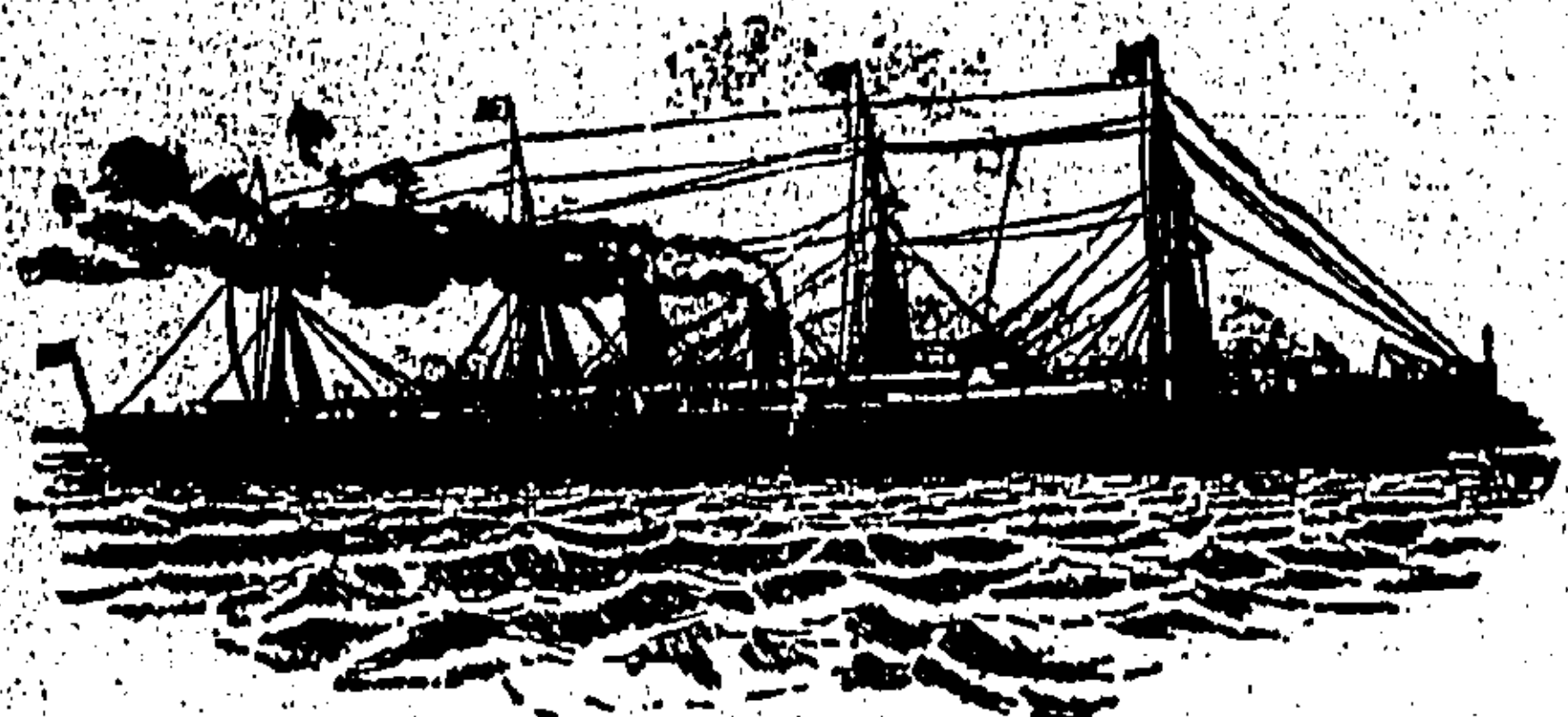
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SOLE PROPRIETORS of the Famous Miike, Tagawa, Yamano and Ida Coal Mines; and SOLE AGENTS for Fujiofoka, Hokoku, Hondo, Ichimura, Kanada, Kamada, Mannoura, Onoura, Otsuji, Sasahara, Teuboku, Yoshinotani, Yoshio, Yuzokibara and other Coals. S. MINAMI, Manager, Hongkong. [74]

Mails.

U.S. MAIL LINES.



PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S. CO.,
TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"MANCHURIA"	13,639 Gross Tons.	MONDAY, 26th December, at 4 p.m.
"KOREA"	11,276 "	FRIDAY, 6th January, 1905, at Noon.
"COPTIC"	4,352 "	FRIDAY, 13th January, at Noon.
"SIBERIA"	11,284 "	TUESDAY, 24th January, at Noon.
"MONGOLIA"	13,639 "	FRIDAY, 3rd February, at Noon.
"ORINA"	5,000 "	FRIDAY, 17th February, at Noon.
"MANCHURIA"	13,639 "	TUESDAY, 28th February, at Noon.
"DORIO"	4,784 "	SATURDAY, 11th March, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 11,276 tons, Oct. 18th, 28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE P. M. Steamship "MANCHURIA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via MACAO, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on MONDAY, the 26th instant, at 4 P.M., taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Special rates (First-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES and CANADIAN PORTS, Special rates (first class only) are confined and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

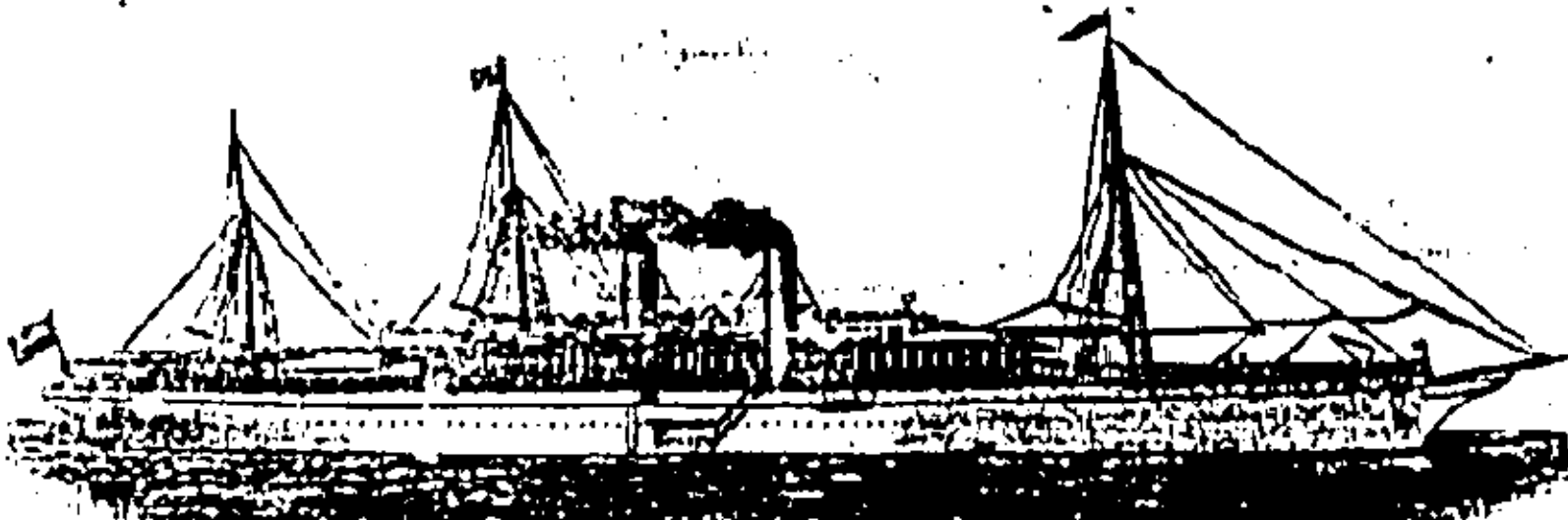
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The largest and steadiest and fastest passenger ships on the Pacific. Southern Route; passengers enjoy out-look throughout; deck bathing. The call at Honolulu, Oahu, the most fertile and beautiful island of the Pacific. The only line to San Francisco, the greatest port of the Pacific.

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E. W. TILDEN, Agent.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1904.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA
AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)
SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

SAVING 3 TO 7 DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

"EMPRESS" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" 2,440 Tons. | WEDNESDAY, 28th December. |

"EMPRESS OF CHINA" 6,000 " | WEDNESDAY, 11th January, 1905. |

"TARTAR" 4,425 " | WEDNESDAY, 25th January. |

"EMPRESS OF INDIA" 6,000 " | WEDNESDAY, 8th February. |

"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" 6,000 " | WEDNESDAY, 8th March. |

"ATHENIAN" 2,440 " | WEDNESDAY, 15th March. |

Hongkong to London, 1st Class via St. Lawrence £60. | via New York £62. |

Hongkong to London, Intermediate and 2nd Class Rail £40. | £42. |

THE magnificent Twin-screw "EMPRESS" Steamships pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, and make connection with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of Chinese and Japanese Governments.

For further information, Maps, Guides, Hand Books, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to

D. W. CRADDOCK, Acting General Agent,
9, Paddar's Street.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1904.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.
OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LONDON, Oporto, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT; BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

SENEGAMBIA ... HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG. 21st Dec. Freight.

Jaburg ... (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO). 1st January. Freight.

ARMENIA ... HAVRE and HAMBURG. 10th January. Freight.

O. FERD. LAEISZ ... (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO). 22nd January. Freight.

AMBRIA ... HAVRE and HAMBURG. 27th January. Freight.

Porcelius ... (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO). 7th Feb. Freight.

SITHONIA ... HAVRE and HAMBURG. 21st Feb. Freight.

Hildebrandt ... (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO). 7th March. Freight and Passengers.

ARCADIA ... HAVRE and HAMBURG. 7th March. Freight and Passengers.

Andalusia ... (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO). 7th March. Freight and Passengers.

RENNANIA ... HAVRE and HAMBURG. 7th March. Freight and Passengers.

Behrens ... (Calling at S'PORE, PENANG & COLOMBO). 7th March. Freight and Passengers.

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HONGKONG OFFICE,
No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1904.

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Consultation Free.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1904.

THE AMERICAN SYSTEM

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M. H. CHAUN, D.D.S.

37, DES VREUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 4th June, 1904.

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Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND
WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM" 2,351 tons. | Captain H. D. Jones. |

"POWAN" 2,338 " | R. D. Thomas. |

"FAISHAN" 2,338 " | W. A. Valentine. |

"HANKOW" 2,373 " | C. V. Lloyd. |

"KINSHAN" 1,991 " | J. J. Lonsdale. |

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8.30 A.M. (Sunday excepted), 9 P.M. and 10.30 P.M. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at 8.30 A.M., 3 P.M. and 6 P.M. (Sunday excepted).

The Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloons and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.
HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNGSHAN" 1,998 tons. | Captain W. E. Clarke. |

Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 2.30 P.M.

Departures on Sundays at 12.30 P.M.

Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8.30 A.M.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN" 2,19 tons. | Captain T. Hamlin. |

This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8.30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K. & C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE LINDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM" 588 tons. | Captain J. Wilcox. |

"NANNING" 589 " | C. Butchart. |

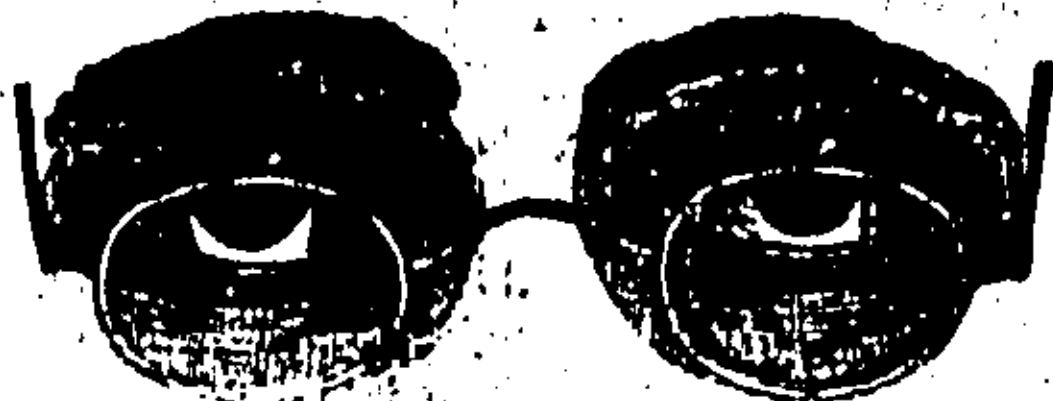
One of the above Steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8.30 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

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HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.,
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Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 29th November, 1904.

Intimations.



IF YOU HAVE A HEADACHE, DON'T TAKE DRUGS UNTIL YOU HAVE HAD YOUR EYES
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DEFECTIVE Vision and Eyestrain cause many Nerve Troubles, needing only proper
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Prices from \$2.00.

Hongkong, 1st October, 1904.

A. S. TUXFORD, Manager.

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COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS,
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AND GENERAL COMMISSION
AGENTS.

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ALWAYS IN STOCK

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REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1903.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1904.

A LIFE SENTENCE.

At the Hongkong Criminal Sessions yesterday afternoon a callous Chinese coolie was convicted of one of those brutal and revolting crimes which it is the invariable custom of the modern Press to allude to in the briefest terms possible. It was one of those offences where animal passion breaks loose and the victim of a sensuous beast is found in a defenceless child. In the present case it was a little European girl, scarcely beyond the years of infancy and with whom the prisoner had apparently been in daily contact for a long time past. No useful purpose would be served were we to dwell upon the horrible facts of the present case to which we feel reluctantly compelled to allude in the hope that something may be done to bring about a change in the present manner of dealing with those brutes who shock humanity with their acts. In nearly all cases of this description the evidence is most conflicting and in many instances it is difficult to get a conviction. Fortunately, Chun Lum was found guilty on the clearest testimony, and on a plea of guilty to his fate of imprisonment for the term of his natural life is not highly satisfactory. Unfortunately crimes against children have been become of frequent occurrence during the past few years, and one is forced to the conclusion that the lenient sentences hitherto meted out to those found guilty of perpetrating such deeds have not acted as a deterrent to other parasites on Society. For instance, in November of last year a native lad of sixteen was charged on an indictment with having committed a similar offence, and although he pleaded guilty the then Chief Justice referred to the youth of the accused and let him off with two years' imprisonment with hard labour and twelve strokes with the birch. It is sentences of this kind that are threatening to defeat their own ends and to drive desperate characters to the conclusion that, after all, their crimes are not so bad as some would lead them to believe. Sir Henry Berkeley, who by the way is fortunately giving some sharp sentences, will do much for the protection of society in dealing with the disgraceful cases with the utmost rigour of the law. Nothing can be too strenuous to stop this sort of thing and each case—we believe there are quite a number of which are never brought to the notice of the public—should be prosecuted to the bitter end.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE two Indian regiments in North China are to be relieved.

It is stated that an artesian well being sunk in Manila proves that the city was once the bed of an ocean.

MR. R. H. Mahomed, of 16 D'Aguilar Street and Macao, sends us his coloured almanac for the new year.

THE s.s. *Nebel* sailed for Durban at one o'clock today having taken on 236 coolies for South Africa from this port. She has on board 1,901 in transit from Chinwantao.

THE Viceroy Tsen Chun Hsuen has granted to the French the right of navigation in the waterway on the Annam and Kwangsi frontiers, subject to certain restrictions.

At about one o'clock yesterday afternoon the launch *Ewo*, (Jardine's), while crossing the harbour towards Kowloon, collided with a cargo boat, running into her on the after port side. The damage done to the boat is estimated at \$100.

A WIRE from Tokio, of the 19th inst., says it is reported that the Korean Government has decided to dispatch three battalions to Ham-yong province for the purpose of clearing it of Russians and realising the value of the national defences.

THE newspapers at Tokio point out the trickery of the Russians, referring to their mooring the "Sebastopol" and the destroyers, in order to avoid the Japanese fire, among the so-called hospital ships flying the Red Cross flag, and the papers urge the adoption of drastic measures.

THE Vatican has initiated negotiation with the object of being admitted to the second Hague Conference. Use is being made of the influence the Catholics in America exercise over Mr. Roosevelt, and also of the anti-British elements. The latter are told that England took a prominent part in opposing the admission of the Papal representative at the first Conference.

THERE being a report current that some of the members of the Russian destroyer *Rastvorony*, that was blown up by her own crew at Chefoo, had managed to abscond from that port previous to the departure of the Chinese cruiser *Haiyung* for Shanghai, a question to that effect was the other day asked by the Japanese Consul-General of Yuan Taotai. The latter accordingly telegraphed to the Chefoo Taotai asking for details, but a reply from Ho Taotai of that port has been received saying that there is no foundation whatever for such a rumour. —N. C. D. News.

THE Hamburg-American Line has chartered to the Russian Government 36 steamers for coaling purposes to the Russian Baltic fleet. They comprise 19 of their own steamers, of an aggregate tonnage of 102,588 tons, 12 other German steamers with a gross tonnage of 23,654 tons, and five English steamers with an aggregate capacity of 17,604 tons. These 36 ships will carry about 215,000 tons of coal, but this quantity may be increased, as some of these ships have been taken with the option of a second trip. Nine of these colliers are carrying German coal, and the remaining 27 English coal.

THE War Office has refused the application received from the American Ambassador, requesting that permission be granted to certain British subjects, 356 in number, to wear the "Military Order of the Dragon," formed by American officers in the North China Force of 1900, and of which certain qualified British officers were members. Permission was refused in accordance with the decision arrived at in November, 1902, that, considering the number of Powers engaged in the operations in China, each Power should bestow on its own subjects the distinctions to which they were entitled.

THIS morning two unemployed seamen, William Donald and Charles Gibson, were charged before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz at the Magistracy, with being drunk and disorderly in "The Land We Live In" Saloon, on Queen's Road. Mr. B. Cohen stated that these men came into the saloon and called for beer, and after drinking their own beer, calmly drank up that of other customers and refused to pay when called upon to do so. He further stated that they went among the other customers and begged for drinks or money, and when ejected from the place stood near the door and turned would-be customers away, by giving the place a bad name. His Worship, remarked that these men's faces seemed somewhat familiar to him, and put the case back to enable inquiries to be made as to whether there were any previous convictions against them or if they had been before the Court before. Upon resuming the hearing Inspector Smith stated that the first defendant had previously been convicted for being drunk, and also for being a stowaway, but there were no previous convictions against the second defendant. "I wasn't drunk, and I didn't drink no one's beer," said the first defendant. He had no witnesses. Fined \$10 or 14 days. "I don't know nothing about it; I was too drunk to remember anything." Fined \$5 or 7 days. Fines not being forthcoming they "went in."

COLLISION IN THE HARBOUR.

THIS afternoon Mr. Basil Taylor, assistant Harbour Master, held an inquiry into the circumstances attending the collision between the steam launch *Hopax*, Lau Fat, master, and the steam launch *Ewo*, master, Cheung Kam, on the 11th inst. The master of the *Hopax* said he was lying off the Yaumati pier, and when he got his anchor up he saw two large junks anchored on his starboard bow. He was then heading for Tsim-sha-Tsui, and steamed very slowly. When he got abreast of the junks one of his crew shouted out that there was a launch on his starboard bow. He saw the *Ewo* about 80 yards off, and went full speed astern, blowing three long blasts on his whistle, meaning thereby that he was giving way to the *Ewo*. She gave one long blast, and ported her helm at first, afterwards altering her course about a point, and then immediately resumed her original course, coming on and striking the *Hopax* abreast the boiler on the starboard side. He thought the *Ewo*'s engines were still going ahead at the time of the collision.

The master of the *Ewo* said he was going from Hongkong to Yaumati on the 11th inst., and when he was 600 or 700 yards from his destination, he saw the *Hopax* nearly right ahead, about 500 yards off and steering so as to pass him red to red. When they were about 50 feet apart, the *Hopax* blew two blasts and starboarded across the *Ewo*'s bows. She was going full speed ahead. When witness saw this he went full speed astern, but the *Hopax* avoided the collision. He struck the *Hopax* abreast of the wheel. The engineer of the *Ewo* said the engines were going full speed astern at the time, and had been so for about a minute.

Mr. Basil Taylor ultimately found that the story of the *Ewo* was entirely improbable and that of the *Hopax* not altogether satisfactory. He considered that there was negligent navigation on the part of the *Ewo* and Cheung Kam's certificate was suspended for one month. —MR. P. W. Goldring appeared for the master of the *Ewo*, and Mr. Russell for the *Hopax*'s master.

KOWLOON RECLAMATION.

WORKS NEARING COMPLETION.

It is only about two years ago since the Hongkong Land Reclamation Co. started operations in connection with the land reclamation scheme at Kowloon, nevertheless within that period that large tract of territory comprised in the general design has undergone a complete transformation. Already the date when the reclamation work will be completed is in sight, and it is even suggested that before March next year building contractors will be at work on the reclaimed ground. The area which was purchased from the Government for reclamation purposes extended over an area of 529,900 square feet, situated in one of the busiest business sections of the peninsula, and the initial cost was about \$400,000. No statement has been made as to the cost of the improvements effected up to the present time, but a brief survey of the works will indicate that it can hardly fall short of the original expenditure.

THE SEA WALL.

The primary and perhaps most important question at the outset was the erection of a sea wall. At the eastern end of Kowloon, where the reclamation works are in progress, the effects of typhoons are generally felt rather severely, and it was accordingly necessary to guard against these periodical visits by erecting a wall capable of withstanding the force and fury of the waves. Accordingly, a sea wall, extending along the front for a distance of about 1,900 feet was laid down, and for several sections, each section being 100 feet in length, a specially buttressed facing was constructed. The height of the wall from the sea bottom is 11 feet 3 inches. The outer facing is composed of granite blocks, each of which is of immense weight. The bottoming material consists of heavy granite blocks, firmly locked together by cement and lime concreting. From the outer to the inner edge of the wall is a distance of something like nine feet, roughly the centre of the wall being filled up with heavy blocks of stone which are cemented together. At the typhoon side only cement concrete is used so that the wall from end to end is as solid as rock. The wall, which is under construction for the Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., extends from the Kowloon godowns to Blackhead's Point, but a beginning has been made at the latter place of a continuation wall and wharf opposite Blackhead and Co.'s premises.

SETTING BACK THE SEA.

After the construction of the sea wall, the engineers had to provide for the filling up of the ground between it and the original shore. To show the extent of the work it has only to be mentioned that, at one point, the sea washed some 700 feet inland beyond the present wall and at another point it laved the rocks 350 feet within the new barrier. In other words, some thirteen acres of ground under the sea had to be filled in. The granite for the wall was obtained from the rock on which the flagstaff stands, but it was necessary to find material for the intervening space. After consideration it was decided to use a rich red earth in Lung-bom for the reclamation. A miniature railway was constructed, and a midge engine installed. The engine, drawing ten trucks, each capable of containing over a ton of rubble material, makes some 30 trips a day to Hunglom and the filling up process therefore goes merrily on. It may be added that the engineer in charge says the material deposited in the reclamation is about the finest that could be utilised for the purpose. About 300 men are at work on the land, and for them temporary matcheds have been erected.

A new road, running from Garden Road across the hill and joining Des Voeux Road is being constructed giving easy access to the reclaimed ground from Hunglom and the opposite side. The new thoroughfare will be known as Middle Road.

COMPLETION IN SIGHT.

According to the present forecast, the ground will be filled in properly levelled and ready for building in March next year. There remains a great deal to be done in the meantime, however, but this forecast is based on the rapidity of the operations since the work began. As to the question of what manner of buildings are likely to be erected there, that is for the future to disclose. It has been rumoured, indeed, that the terminus of the Kowloon-Canton railway will be built on the reclaimed land and a more suitable spot could scarcely, perhaps, be found; but, of course, these kindred matters are still in the dim and distant future, for nothing definite has been settled.

BLACKHEAD & CO.'S NEW WHARF.

As already stated, Blackhead's wharf will form the continuation of the Land Reclamation Co.'s reclamation, and there it is proposed to build a worthy landing-stage in keeping with the reclaimed ground. The pier, or sea wall, will follow exactly the same lines, the same engineer being in charge of the work; but there will be this difference. Beyond the sea wall a wharf will be laid down, where the largest vessels may come alongside and take in coals. The depth of water at the edge of the wharf is said to be between 35 and 40 feet, and as a matter of fact, iron piles have already been driven 52 feet down. The foundation of the sea wall is already in position, and it will not be very long before the wall itself rises to the level of the reclaimed land.

Altogether the work at the Kowloon reclamation is in a very advanced condition, and probably nearer completion than most people had imagined.

Mr. John Anderson is in charge of the operations, and as he is continually on the ground, living on the place practically, the reason for the rapid progress is perhaps not far to seek.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

THE FARNHAM BOYD CO.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."—SIR,—Any one who has followed the voluminous correspondence which has been appearing in the press of the Northern Settlement since September last, re the "scheme" of the Farnham-Boyd Co., must have been struck by the persistent assertion of absolute disinterestedness which the various writers have made.

Considering their utter lack of interest in the subject, it seems most incomprehensible why these several writers should yet take such pains in order to impress their views on the shareholders of the Company, while, in their offer of paternal advice, they have been most unsparing of pen and paper.

One correspondent in particular, signing himself "Accountant," and whose letter was reproduced recently in your columns, has attracted my attention. This gentleman most positively asserts that, he never was, nor intends to be, a shareholder in the Farnham-Boyd Co. Nevertheless, he appears to have devoted considerable time and attention overhauling the company's reports and accounts of several years, and subjecting them to microscopic analysis. I do not find fault with his studious habits, but I should just like to draw his attention to a very common phenomenon on all Rialtos, namely, that one can be a *speculator* in a stock and not necessarily have to be a *shareholder*.

But, after all, the whole of the correspondence referred to above are written in much the same tone and spirit.

The same assertion of disinterestedness, and the same offer of gratuitous advice, while the same amount of energy is focussed and centred on two main points. Firstly, it is contended that the "scheme" never really was the outcome of any definite offer, that this offer was, and still is, in the air, and that it will most probably all end in smoke. The second point urged is, that unless this scheme is carried through, the Company will be in a bad way indeed, and consequently its shares will be, according to these would-be prophets, next to worthless.

Now, setting aside the question of any offer, or whether the sale under the proposed conditions is effected, or not, it may fairly be asked, is it so very essential to the well-being of the Company that the "scheme" be carried through? and, in what manner will the failure of the "scheme" affect its present, or future, earning power? Now according to the figures given by these "disinterested" advisers, the Company has paid \$100,000 in dividends, in the last four years, and has on seventy per cent on its capital. True, the dividend has been a decreasing one lately, but what business, public or private, can be entirely free from the ups and downs incidental to all mercantile undertakings? Surely, then, a company, which has so well proved its earning capacity in the past, may be reasonably expected to do at least as well in the future.

There is also another cry which has been going the rounds in the Model Settlement, and which has formed the subject of a leading article in one of the leading Northern papers, to the effect that the stock of Farnham Boyds is very much *watered*.

It seems really astonishing how all these defects are being discovered only since some of the shining lights of the Shanghai Rialto, the would-be Pierpont-Morgans, started a "bear" movement and have been caught napping. It is not so long ago that this stock stood at Tls. 320, and yet never a whisper was heard about "watering," the said shining lights themselves being holders at the rate.

It is, however, futile to follow the argument any further, as the object of these worthy advisers, otherwise the "bears," will doubtless be apparent to any one having even a slight knowledge of Rialto manoeuvres, and unless I am very much mistaken, their oft-repeated cry of "wolf" will not serve them. I do not know though that they have any cause for complaint, for as they have sown they must be content to reap.

I had almost forgotten to add that I do hold an interest in the Farnham Boyds, not however as a "bear" or "bull," but as an investor.

SHAREHOLDER.

Hongkong, 20th December.

A CHRISTMAS APPEAL.

An advertisement appears also where drawing attention to the appeal on behalf of the poor old people which is made each year by the Catholic Union. Last Christmas treats were provided to about 700 children and 200 old people, and to continue effectively the work this year everybody's help is needed. Such gifts as toys, picture books, scrap books, sweets, cakes, bon-bons, and so on are asked for, and these will be distributed to the poor children in the rooms of the Catholic Union on Christmas Day at 3 p.m., where and when they will be gathered for a tea party. Any gift, either in money or article, will be gratefully received by the chaplain, the Rev. Fr. P. Gabardi, or by the Vice-President, Mr. James D. Osmund.

KING'S PARK, KOWLOON.

"It is a common growl in Hongkong that there is no place to go to on Sunday afternoons," writes a correspondent. "I visited the site of King's Park this Sabbath Day, and was particularly astonished at the vast amount of work that has been accomplished there recently. New roads have been laid out, and what was formerly a marsh has been drained on a most approved system. The little hills and valleys, once the site of the Volunteer camp and partly of the shooting range, have been levelled by quite an army of workmen who, during my visit, were as busy as a hive of bees. It is evident that the Crown intends to make the King's Park a worthy memorial of His Majesty's coronation and a place which will meet the needs of a growing community on the other side of the water for generations yet to come. 'Saprophytists' will find much in what is going on there to fill many pages of their photographic albums."

TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

NAVAL BOMBARDMENT

AT PORT ARTHUR.

Tokio, 19th Dec., 5.30 p.m.

Admiral Togo reports that, while attacking the Russian ships at the outer roadstead on the night of the 14th, one Japanese torpedo-boat was disabled and abandoned; the survivors were saved. Another torpedo-boat was temporarily disabled, but was conveyed back. No serious damage was done to the rest of the craft. The total casualties were ten killed and fourteen wounded.

The *Sevastopol*'s anchorage, being close to the shore, it is difficult to ascertain her damage, but several torpedoes were distinctly observed to hit her and explode.

On the night of the 15th, the torpedo-boat flotillas renewed their attack on the *Sevastopol*, *Otuzny* and some destroyers. They managed to approach close to the enemy's ships and successfully discharged torpedoes several of which were distinctly observed to hit and explode. In spite of the enemy's shot fire our craft all returned safe. The total casualties were: three killed and three wounded.

Our observation station in the morning reported that one Russian destroyer was aground, with masts broken.

SIX RUSSIAN DESTROYERS

REMAINING.

Tokio, 19th Dec. 7 p.m.

Admiral Togo, reporting on the 18th, of the actual state of the Russian ships which sunk in the inner harbour being substantially the same as previously announced, concludes that they are no longer fit for action. Regarding the *Sevastopol*, although there is reason to believe that she was incapacitated for navigation, positive evidence is as yet still unobtainable.

Six Russian destroyers are at least still remaining.

ANOTHER FORT CAPTURED.

FIGHTING AT CLOSE QUARTERS.

GUNS AND AMMUNITION TAKEN.

Tokio, 19th Dec. 8.15 p.m.

The Port Arthur army reports that at 2.15 p.m. on the 18th, a detachment effected a great explosion at the breastwork of the north fort of Tunkikwan-shan, and thereupon made an assault on the fort, which was removed by fierce fighting with hand grenades. The enemy offered the stoutest resistance.

At 7 p.m. General Samojlin proceeded to the caponiere of the counterscarp and made a great assault, which, at 11.5 p.m., resulted in the capture of the above fort.

We immediately constructed defensive works, and our possession was rendered firm by the morning on the 19th.

We captured five field guns, two machine guns and a great quantity of ammunition. We also found about forty Russian corpses within the fort. Our casualties are not yet ascertained, but are not believed to be heavy.

THE DES VŒUX ROAD FIRE.

An inquiry was held before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, at the Magistracy this afternoon, into the cause of the fire which broke out, on the 9th inst., in godowns at No. 325 Des Vœux Road, West, owned by Ho Lai Chan, a general dealer. Mr. John Hastings appeared on behalf of Mr. Ho Lai Chan, the owner, Mr. H. Hursthouse (Messrs. Dennys and Bowley) watching the case on behalf of the police. Evidence was led to show that there were discrepancies in the lists of goods prepared for the insurance companies, by Ho Lai Chan, and the goods actually believed to have been in the godown, as shown by transactions between that firm and the China American Trading Company. A lengthy explanation was then gone into as to the method of the transactions between the Company and the owners of the godown, and the case was ultimately remanded for the production of certain necessary account books.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

German (*Roon*) 22nd inst.
American (*Manchuria*) 22nd inst.
French (*Australien*) 27th inst.
Indian (*Calcutta*) 26th inst.
American (*Copple*) 26th inst.
Australian (*Taiyuan*) 28th inst.

The s.s. *Ningchow* left Shanghai on 18th inst., at daylight, and is expected here on 21st inst.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Australien*, with the next French Mail, left Singapore 10 days ago, for this port via Saigon.

The P. M. S. Co.'s s.s. *Manchuria*, with mails, &c., left Shanghai on 19th inst., and may be expected here on 22nd inst.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of Japan*, arrived at Nagasaki at 9 a.m. on 19th inst., and leaves again at 5 p.m. same day, for Kobe, where she was due to arrive at 9.00 p.m. on 20th inst.

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FRIDAY, December 23rd.

POLLARD'S
LILLIPUTIAN
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COMPANY.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,

AND
SATURDAY MATINEE.

December 23rd and 24th.

"THE BELLE OF NEW YORK."

MONDAY and TUESDAY,

December 26th and 27th.

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WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY,

December 28th and 29th.

"A GAIETY GIRL."

PRICES AS USUAL.

Box Plan at ROBINSON & Co.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1904. [1350]

Masonic.



EOTHEN MARK LODGE,

No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held at the FREMA-
SON'S HALL, Zealand Street, TO-MORROW,
the 21st instant, at 5 for 5.30 P.M. precisely.
Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1904. [1354]

Intimations.

WEISMANN, LTD.

(CAFE WEISMANN.)

THE place par excellence in Hongkong
for Refreshments of all descriptions.Facing the Post Office, Queen's Road,
Central.Everything of the best, prepared and
served under entirely European Manage-
ment.

See our Grand Christmas Display.

Cakes, Bonbons and Confectionery of all
kinds made to customers' own order and
design.

Send or Bring Your orders.

We guarantee satisfaction.

The Weissmann Most Up-to-date Cafe

in the Orient.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1904. [1349]

TRY OUR FRESH XMAS CAKES.

MADE from the best of ingredients and

pure fresh AUSTRALIAN BUTTER in

1 lb., 2 lbs., 3 lbs., and of other sizes made to

order by giving previous notice.

Yearly increasing sale is the sufficient

guarantee of their superiority.

All orders will be carefully attended to.

H. RUTTONJEE,

5, D'Aguilar Street, Hongkong.

37 and 38, Elgin Road, Kowloon.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1904. [1357]

THIS DWARF RAZOR has superseded

the old fashioned clumsy Razor and by

its use Shaving becomes a pleasure. It is

manufactured in Sheffield, England, from a

special amalgam of steel which makes imita-

tion impossible, and in consequence it enjoys

the largest sale of any Razor in the World.

Thousands of Testimonials testify that the

little "MAB" is the finest shaving implement

ever produced.

To be obtained from THE MUTUAL STORES,

WATKINS, LIMITED, and all first-class stores

in the Colony.

Sole Agents for Far East, HOWARD & Co.,

29, Des Vaux Road, Central, Hongkong.

Agents wanted in every port.

For particulars and terms, apply to—

HOWARD & Co.,

Hongkong, 24th November, 1904. [1369]

ESPECIAL OLD TOM GIN.

Marshall and

Elvy's

DOUBLY DISTILLED

AND OF

MATURED AGE.

TO BE OBTAINED FROM—

THE MUTUAL STORES,

Des Vaux Road,

Hongkong, 12th May, 1904. [1368]

DANGERS OF THE RUSSIAN
VOYAGE.It may be assumed, says the *Pall Mall*
Gazette, that all the way to the Cape and then
onward rendezvous have been fixed at which
colliers and supply ships will be in waiting to
meet the needs of the ships of the Baltic fleet.
The fleet, even if no mishaps occur, has a
voyage of eighty or ninety days before it—
presuming it maintains a continuous speed of
about twelve knots. If, however, there are to
be frequent stoppages for coal and stores, this
time will be greatly exceeded. Moreover (the
Telegraph's naval correspondent points out)
a great collection of ships under the control of
officers and men cannot fail to experience
breakdowns.Even in a British squadron during a long
cruise stragglers will fall behind, and conse-
quently the rendezvous will be not only neces-
sary for meeting the needs of the fleet in
matters of fuel, but such stoppages must be
enforced in order that the admiral in supreme
command may collect his forces. He will
receive reports of essential repairs which must
be undertaken immediately, and he cannot
avoid endless delays from one cause and
another, particularly as the ships, as has been
explained already, are manned by scratch
crews about deck, and also in the engine
rooms.The fleet has with it a repairing ship that is
practically a floating workshop, a type of
auxiliary introduced into the British fleet some
years ago. The *Kamchatka* is fitted with all
possible facilities for effecting repairs required
by "lame ducks."Never before has the world witnessed such
a supreme effort to wrest victory from defeat.
The ships have gone forth to war, and on their
fate hangs the naval prestige of Russia. The
dockyards have been swept clean of all ships
fit to sail, and from the moment that the
vessels pass into the Atlantic, Russia, for the
time being, ceases to be a European naval
Power. Into the vortex of the conflict in the
Far East the Tsar is casting practically all the
capital which the country has invested in avail-
able men-of-war—roughly, about £12,000,000.

MEN OF THE HOUR.

LORD CHARLES BERESFORD.

During the crisis brought about by the
Baltic Fleet outrage it has been quite remark-
able to notice how one name has been on the
lips of men of all ranks—that of Lord Charles
Beresford. He is, says *Public Opinion*, the
only living sailor who has secured the distinc-
tion of familiarity conferred by the man in the
street: to that important personage he is not
Lord Charles Beresford, but Charlie Beresford,
just as Mr. Chamberlain is Joe Chamberlain
and Lord Beaconsfield was Dizzy. Many men
attain popularity, but few become popular
favourites in the way that Lord Charles Beres-
ford has become a popular favourite. The day
on which the North Sea tragedy was reported
in the Press an East-End-er was heard discus-
sing the situation. He was very wrathful; he
wanted revenge, and in his own sharp Cockney
way expressed his views. "The cowardly
scoundrel," he said, "I wish Charlie Beresford
had been knocked around with one of them gunboats of his; he'd
have blown 'em to smithereens, Charlie Beres-
ford had been knockin'! The suggestion
illustrates better than could a whole article
the opinion held of Lord Charles Beresford by
all good British. He comes of a plucky stick-
at-nothing stock; he is one of the fighting Beres-
fords, and he is the best living exponent of the
good old bulldog spirit which made Great Britain
what she is. The Beresfords have always been
in the forefront when Imperial work was to be
done, and their Irish blood has ever responded
with alacrity to war's alarms. Lord Charles
seems at times almost to have stepped out of
one of Marryat's novels, and to have adapted
himself to modern conditions with the readiness
characteristic of the British sailor. He is a
bluff, genial, honest, kindly daredevil, who
would have been happy in cutting-out ex-
peditions, has made the most of any opportu-
nity which may have come his way to show
that a Nelson is still among us, and does the
best he can to keep alive the old spirit by be-
ing ready whenever duty may call to strike as
they struck in the days when the prowess of
British tars astonished the world and secured
an Empire.Lord Charles Beresford has a superb con-
fidence in himself and in the British Navy.
Like all great and courageous men, he does
not want to fight for the mere sake of fight-
ing; on the contrary, he believes in being
strong so that peace may be preserved from
the enemy's mere consciousness that to fight
is to run grave risks of irreparable disaster.
The nation owes it in no small measure to
him that the Navy has been put upon a foot-
ing which warrants him in believing that
Great Britain if need be could beat the com-
bined fleets of France, Germany, and Russia.
A tall order that, but one which might well be
realised if the British Navy were run by
Beresfords. Difficulties for him exist to be
got over, and dangers point the way to greatest
triumphs. He knows that nothing succeeds
like success, and we may be sure that he would
never hesitate to place his blind eye to the
telescope if he thought there was a chance of
turning a critical situation to profitable
account. How proud Great Britain was of
him in 1882, when the British fleet was before
Alexandria, and he took the "Condor" in
right under the nose of the big guns on Fort
Marabout and silenced them. It was wrong
from every point of view except one—it
was successful. Some people said, "the
act was mad; he did not deny it though
he probably claimed credit for some
method in the madness. If a shot had
struck her the "Condor" would have
gone to the bottom like a log. But as
Lord Charles said, "it didn't," and he
had his reward when the Admiral signalled
later, "Well done." The signal in its sim-
plicity as Nelson's "England expects" every
man this day will do his duty."The same sort of cool recklessness, if we
may use the phrase, marked his conduct on the
Nile after he had crossed the desert with Sir
Herbert Stewart to attempt the relief of Gor-
don. Sir Charles Wilson, on Gordon's penny
steamers, was wrecked; and in going to the
rescue Lord Charles Beresford's steamer was
badly hit in the boiler. He lay quietly in the
middle of the river all day while the damage
was repaired, and then effected the rescue of
Sir Charles Wilson: another feat which won
him high commendation at home. In the
same resourceful way a few years ago he saved
a French cruiser which went ashore. He
simply ran a hawser round the French boat,
and turned his own vessel into a tug. The
incident was something more than one of
courage: he incurred great risks, which few
captains would have taken on behalf of a
foreign boat, and the French Government
would have marked its appreciation by con-
ferring on him the Legion of Honour, but the
Admiralty objected. Nor do Lord Charles
Beresford's rescues stop here; he has three
medals for saving life. So excellent a Cap-
tain could hardly be expected to shine in other
walks as he shines on the quarter deck; yet
he has made an admirable member of Parlia-
ment in the intervals of service, and has writ-
ten books which, if not literature, are useful
contributions to living subjects. His last book
was "The Break-up of China," written after
his mission to China on behalf of the Associ-
ated Chambers of Commerce. In the House of
Commons his voice was always heard in the
cause of efficiency. He is a hard worker when
on shore, as when at sea; and he has in him
the makings of a perfect Bohemian, as more
than one club in London knows.

STRAITS TRADING COMPANY.

THE PROFITS OF A HALF-YEAR.

A general meeting of the Straits Trading
Co. was held at 17 Collyer Quay, Singapore,
on the 17th inst. when the following report for
the half-year ending 30th September last was
presented:—Your Directors now submit the accounts for
the half-year ended 30th September, 1904, be-
ing the first half of the business year 1904/1905.
After making full provision for bad and
doubtful debts, the net profits amount to
\$481,362.45, to which has to be added the bal-
ance, \$95,950.84 brought forward from last ac-
count, giving together a sum of \$577,313.29 for
disposal on 30th September, 1904.

Your Directors recommend:—

1. That a dividend of \$1.00 and a bonus of
35 cents per share be paid to shareholders,
absorbing \$337,500.
2. That \$50,000 be added to the Reserve
Fund, which will then stand at \$750,000.
3. That \$50,000 be transferred to a Fund for
equalizing dividends.
4. That \$40,000 be transferred to a Fund to
provide for proposed contributory payments to
one producers in the F.M.S. which payments, if
approved, to be made from such date and on
such scale as the Directors may decide.
5. That \$15,000 be transferred to Employees'
Bonus Account.
6. That the balance of \$81,813.29 be carried
forward to a new account.

The local market for tin opened on 1st April,
at \$70½ per picul and closed on 30th Septem-
ber, at \$77½ per picul, the highest price in the
interval being \$80½ and the lowest \$69½.The business has again been a record one
and while the Company's proportion of the
total output from the F. M. S. continues to
show a steady increase, it is also a satisfactory
feature that the business from other countries
is likewise steadily growing.The Pulo Brani and Penang Works have im-
proved in efficiency, and more economical results
have been obtained. This together with the
prompt turnover which our ample melting
capacity ensures, enables us to pay liberal prices
for ore and accounts for the increase in the
business which your Directors hope will be
maintained.From the 1st November the F. M. S. Govern-
ment raised the standard for payment of duty
on tin ore from 68 per cent to 70 per cent re-
coverable metallic contents and as duty is
levied on the full monetary value of refined tin
the increased duty on the ore exported is equal
to a taxation of over 72 per cent. recoverable
metallic contents *ad-valorem*.

C. MCARTHUR,

Managing Director.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.	
London—Bank T.T.	111½
Do. demand	111 3/16
Do. 4 months sight	111 1/16
France—Bank T.T.	242
America—Bank T.T.	46½
Germany—Bank T.T.	1.06
India T.T.	143½
Do. demand	143½
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	71½
Japan—Bank T.T.	94½
Singapore—Bank T.T.	Nominal
Java—Bank T.T.	116
Buying.	
4 months sight L/C.	111½
6 months sight L/C.	111 3/16
30 days sight San Francisco & New York	47½
4 months sight do.	48½
30 days sight Sydney and Melbourne	111½
6 months sight France	242
4 months sight do.	242 1/16
6 months sight Germany	1.06
Bar Silver	143½
Bank of England rate	116

To-day's quotations are as follows:

Selling.	
Salwa New	@ 1,050/1,080
Old	@ 1,120/1,140
Older	@ 1,160/1,200
Oldest	@ 1,200/1,250
Panama New	@ 1,150
Panama Old	@ 1,100
Perkins (Paper)	@ 850/900

Intimations.

WHAT IT WILL DO.

A woman buys a sewing machine for what it
will do; not as an article of furniture. A man
carries a watch to tell him the time; not as an
investment of surplus capital. The same
principle when one is ill. We want the medi-
cine or the treatment which will relieve and
cure. The friend in need must be a friend
indeed—something, or somebody, with a
reputation, with a good record, with a history
that justifies our confidence. There should be
no guesswork in treating disease. People have
the right to know what a medicine is, and what
it will do, before they take it. It must have
behind it an open record of benefit to others
for the same disease, a series of cures that
proves its merit and inspires confidence. It
is because it has such a record that

WAMPOLE'S PREPARATION

is bought and used without hesitation or doubt.
Its Good Name is the solid basis for the faith
the people have in it; and a good name has to
be earned by good deeds. For the purposes
for which it is commended it is honest, true and
practical. It does what you have a right to
expect it to do. It is palatable as honey and
contains all the nutritive and curative properties
of Pure Cod Liver Oil, combined with the
Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites and the
Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry. In Scrofula,
Anemia, Nervous and General Debility, In-
fluenza, Blood Impurities and Wasting Com-
plaints, it is to be thoroughly relied upon. Dr.
J. L. Carrick says: "I have had remarkable
success with it in the treatment of Consumption,
Chronic Bronchitis, Catarrh and Scrofulous
Affections. It is of special value in nervous
prostration and depraved nutrition; it stimulates
the appetite and the digestion, promotes
assimilation, and enters directly into the
circulation with the food. I consider it a mar-
velous success in medicine." Every dose
effective. "You cannot be disappointed in it!"
Sold by chemists.

PLEASE NOTE.

DURING CHRISTMAS WEEK ONLY,
all purchasers of at least \$25.00 worth of
WINES and SPIRITS from Messrs. GREGOR
& Co., will be entitled to receive in addition to
their purchase, and absolutely free,
3 Full-size Sample Bottles of the following
Wines, at choice:
GRAVES, SAUTERNES, MEDOC, ST.
EMILION, MARGAUX, ST. JULIEN,
ST. ESTEPHE, or CH. LA TOUR
MARCEAU, or
2 Full-size Sample Bottles of
GREGOR & Co.'s IMPERIAL HIGH-
LAND, or CLUB No. 1 WHISKY, or
1 Full-size Bottle of MESSRS. MARIE-BRI-
ZARD & ROGER'S AFTER-DINNER
LIQUEURS, to be selected out of 20
Varieties.GREGOR & Co.,
Wine and Spirit Merchants,
34, Queen's Road Central,
in Floor,
Oppos to Post Office.
Hongkong, 19th Decemr 1904. [1356]THE HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TEAM-
WAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.NOTICE is hereby given that the TWEN-
TIETH ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS OF
the above Company will be held at the REGIS-
tered Office of the Company in the Alexandra
Buildings, Des Vaux Road, on FRIDAY, the
23rd day of December, 1904, at Noon, for the
purpose of receiving the report of the General
Managers together with a Statement of Accounts
for the year ending 30th November, 1904.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 20th to 25th instant,
both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1904. [1342]

WO SHUN STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF
the WO SHUN STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office
of the Company, No. 138, Connaught Road,
Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 22nd
day of December, 1904, at 2 o'clock in the
afternoon, when the subjoined Resolution will
be proposed:Should the said Resolution be passed by the
required majority it will be submitted for con-
firmation as a Special Resolution to a Second
Extraordinary Meeting to be subsequently con-
vened:RESOLUTION.
"That the Capital of the Company be in-
creased to \$140,000 by the creation of 900 New
Shares of \$100 each."

Hongkong, 16th December, 1904. [1348]

LOST.

ON Saturday night (16th) a PEARL AND
CRYSTAL NECKLET on SILVER
CHAIN. Finder will be rewarded on return-
ing it to PAGODA BUNGALOW, Kowloon.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1904. [1339]

SANITARY BOARD OFFICE,
Hongkong.TO THE OWNERS OF DOMESTIC
BUILDINGS.TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the
DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS (as amended),
every Domestic Building or part of such Build-
ing within the WESTERN DIVISION of the CITY
OF VICTORIA occupied by members of more
than one family must be Cleaned and Lime-
washed THROUGHOUT by the owner
during the months of November and December,
A.D. The word "Throughout" used in this
notice means that the Houses should be lime-
washed in respect of all the Walls of each
Room and Staircase, all Cupboards, Partitions,
Chests and Stair Landings, all Ceilings and the
Undersides of Roofs both in Main Buildings,
Offices and Servants' Quarters and inclusive
of Verandahs.The Back Yard should have its containing
Walls Limewashed up to the level of the first
floor.Carved, Painted or Polished Woodwork in
good condition, however, need not be Lime-
washed but must be Cleaned.The Western Division of the City lies to the
west of Tank Lane and Cleverly Street.THOS. A. HANMER,
Secretary.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1904. [1344]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions
to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
TO-MORROW,
the 21st December, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at their
Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road,
corner of Lee House Street,
A FINE ASSORTMENT OF
ENGRAVINGS,
and
A QUANTITY OF
BOOTS AND SHOES.
Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS:—As usual.HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1904. [1346]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions
to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
on
THURSDAY,
the 22nd December, 1904, at 11 A.M., at their
Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road,
corner of Lee House Street,
SUNDRY
MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES,
Comprising—
TELESCOPES, FIELD GLASSES, SEX-
TANTS, SUITS OF CLOTHES, DRAWING
INSTRUMENTS, FELT HATS, BANJOES,
MACKINTOSHES, BOOTS, GOLD
WATCHES, CHAINS, DIAMOND RINGS,
BANGLES, &c., &c., &c.
Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS:—As usual.HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1904. [1351]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of
the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be
held on TUESDAY, the 27th day of December,
1904, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works
Department, by Order of His Excellency the
Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND in
the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75
years, commencing from the date of sale, with
the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT
to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the
KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	LOCALITY.	Measurements.				Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent in Rs.	Upset Price in Rs.
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.			
	Matien Lok No. 249.		240° 0'	171° 0'	137° 0'	65° 8'	16,345	308	23,604
Hong Kong, 17th December 1904.									

TELEGRAMS.

(Rutler's.)

Macedonia.

LONDON, 18th December.

The condition of Macedonia gets consistently worse.

New Artillery for the British Army.

It is stated that the British War Office has signed contracts for the most modern Horse and Field artillery to the value of £2,500,000; of which 130 batteries are to be delivered in nine months.

The Hooley Trial.

E. T. Hooley has been acquitted and J. H. Lawson sentenced to twelve months.

LATER.

Another Russian Baltic Fleet.

The Russian Admiralty apparently in deference to popular agitation has commenced preparations to fit out a third Baltic squadron, consisting of four battleships and one cruiser; all vessels of comparatively small tonnage and nearly obsolete.

(N. C. D. News.)

A messenger from Port Arthur.

Chefoo, 16th December.

A messenger from General Stössel, accompanied by six refugees, arrived this afternoon from Port Arthur in a ship's boat rigged with a sail. They encountered a bitter wind and cold.

The messenger delivered voluminous dispatches to the Russian Consul here, which, the Consul states, contain details of the operations since the departure of the destroyer *Rastvoropy*.

In an interview the Consul stated that the reports contain evidence of exaggeration in the Japanese official reports. The Russians are still holding all northern forts. The tone of the dispatches show that General Stössel does not anticipate failure.

The Consul declined for the present to answer any question in reference to the disabling of the Russian ships in Port Arthur.

Chefoo, 16th December.

Seven Russians, apparently either naval or military officers, came out of Port Arthur last night, taking advantage of a furious snowstorm, and arrived here at 2 p.m. to-day with blankets, provisions, and dispatches, in a two-masted boat, and entered the Russian Consulate.

It is hoped to learn fuller details.

The Situation in Manchuria.

Tokio, 16th December.

Some military sections at Tokio believe that General Kuropatkin has not yet abandoned his plan for the relief of Port Arthur, because the main girdle of forts is still in Russian hands, and that the recent fall on the Shiao is due to the Russians awaiting the possession of a superiority in numbers.

The Russian casualties two months ago were about 700,000; and these it is now believed have been replaced. When the rivers are frozen and the roads are hard the communications will naturally be expedited.

The supposition that winter implies a suspension of hostilities is scarcely justified. The Russian position of the matter seems to be that the Russian will wait until the Japanese offensive. Everything suggests that it is wisdom for the Japanese to play a waiting game.

The Extension of the Russian Front.

Tokio, 16th December.

The limit of the Russian right wing hitherto has been Tingchiapao on the left bank of the Hunho, reconnoitring parties being occasionally detailed; but the line is now extended in the Manchich direction on the right bank of the Hunho, the Russians availing themselves of the freezing of the swamps and rivers to distribute their new arrivals.

The Rehabilitation of the "Sado Maru."

Tokio, 16th December.

The repairs to the N.Y.K.S. *Sado Maru* at Nagasaki have been quite completed, and she will have a trial trip shortly.

The Harried Russians.

Tokio, 16th December.

The *Otaojny* and other naval vessels which were torpedoed by the Japanese on Wednesday steamed out of the harbour recently and moored off Mantoushan to escape the Japanese fire from the land side.

The Sentence on Mr. Kuhn.

Tokio, 14th December.

Mr. Kuhn, the assailant of Mr. Boyes in Yokohama, has been sentenced to fifteen months' major imprisonment.

A Sensible Step on the part of Korea.

Tokio, 15th December.

Korea has decided to recall all her Ministers from abroad.

(Cablegrams.)

Japanese Ships to Dock.

San Francisco, 15th December.

With the exception of an ample patrol to enforce the blockade at Port Arthur, the Japanese fleet has been ordered to proceed to the dry-docks for a general cleaning and repairs. While there has been no serious damage from the fire of the Russians, the ships have become fouled from the long blockade duty and would not be in a fit condition to undertake a cruise to intercept the Russian fleet should the latter be sent to the Far East.

The battleships will proceed to the great docks at Koroosuko, while the cruisers and lesser vessels will be repaired at Nagasaki.

Throughout the entire empire the Japanese are celebrating the sinking of the last Russian warship at Port Arthur.

Refuse to go to The War.

San Francisco, December 15.

The Government at St. Petersburg is appalled at the large number of desertions from the reservist ranks. Since the recent disturbances, in St. Petersburg, all reservists of socialist tendencies have deserted when opportunity offered, and many of those in sympathy with the communal assemblies have left the ranks. Many arrests have been made but the reservists refuse to be placated with less than the demands of their leaders for proper representation in the government.

Since the recent agitation of the assemblies, it is estimated that more than five thousand reservists have laid down their arms and returned to their homes or joined the ranks of the rioters.

THE NAVY LEAGUE.

ANNUAL MEETING HONGKONG BRANCH.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong branch of the Navy League took place at the City Hall last evening, but there was only a very small attendance.

Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., took the chair, and amongst those present were—Colonel W. G. Balfour-Western, C.B., Hon. Mr. Gershom Stewart, Messrs. R. W. Mitchell, G. B. Hayward, R. G. Wilcox, B. Layton, T. P. Cochrane, D. R. Law, W. H. T. Davies, Newman Mumford, W. E. Claret, N. J. Stabb, G. Piercy, S. A. Joseph, C. Mooney, and A. R. Lowe, hon. secretary.

The Chairman, in opening the proceedings, spoke at great length, and said that the shooting on the China Station had continued to be very gratifying, and H.M.S. *Ocean* had particularly distinguished herself in this regard. In the *Military and Naval Record* last month, it was stated that the firing took place under very difficult conditions indeed, and in fact the authorities went out of their way to make the conditions as similar as possible as those they might expect in the event of actual war. Some argument had taken place as to the Navy League being opposed to the Government, and on that account it was not becoming for officers of the two services to belong to it. He thought Sir Henry Blake had dispelled that idea by his presence at the lecture given by Mr. H. F. Wyatt, the special Envoy of the League in June last. Far from being opposed to the Government, it was the primary object of the League to support the Government on every possible occasion, for they felt with the late Lord Salisbury that the defence of the nation was the business of the people. The Navy League had set itself the task of inducing the general body of the people to give their support to the Government. There were politicians at home who were raising the cry that too much was being spent on naval and military preparation. The object of the League was to show that that party was mistaken, and to demonstrate that what was spent in military and naval preparation was only an insurance fund, paid for the protection of Britain's vast maritime interests, and the dividend out of that money was to be found in the security of their sea of communications, without which the British Empire would very soon begin to go down. Preparations made hurriedly were most expensive and extremely uneconomical. The speaker went on to urge that it was incumbent on those in the Colony to join the League, for he could not help saying that it was most unsatisfactory that out of some 1,200 or more British adult members of the community quite exclusive of the services they had only 285 members and associates, having regard to the nominal subscription charged by the Branch. Mr. Pollock then read a letter from the Executive in London appreciating the manner in which Hongkong had helped them in the past, and which stated that there was very little doubt but that the example set by Hongkong in years past had had a great effect in stimulating the energies of the people.

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M. W. H. T. Davies seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Newman Mumford proposed, and Mr. S. A. Joseph seconded, the election of the following gentlemen to act as Committee for the ensuing year:—H. E. Pollock, K.C., (Chairman), Hon. Mr. Gershom Stewart, Mr. M. W. Slade, Mr. T. P. Cochrane, Mr. E. W. Mitchell, Mr. B. Layton, Mr. W. A. Cruickshank, Mr. N. J. Stabb (Honorary Treasurer) and Mr. A. R. Lowe (Honorary Secretary).

The meeting terminated with a hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman, carried on the motion of Mr. W. H. T. Davies.

LOTTERY IN HONGKONG.

DETECTIVES' DISCOVERIES.

Saturday night was a busy time for the detective department, when, from information received, Chief Inspector Hanson and two of his assistant inspectors raided four houses in various localities, and arrested thirteen men and a woman. The first raid was made at No. 28A, Des Vaux Road Central, of which Tung Chuk Ling is owner and where he runs a general dealer's shop. He is also complicit in the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. He was taken for running a gambling game, but the players got away. The next raid was at No. 100, Queen's Road, Central, the bird-fancier's shop of Au Ku Lo, whose man was arrested for maintaining a common gambling house. The inspectors then proceeded to Nos. 30 and 32, Lyndhurst Terrace where a Chinese family lived. Here four men and a woman were taken while gambling. But the night's work was not finished, for it was deemed necessary to look in at No. 4, Kiu Yau Lane, another suspected house, and there, indeed, a haul was made. In this small back slum, in a dirty, almost squallid house, a band of seven men are said to be found in the very act of printing tickets, announcements of drawings, amounts of prizes, and so forth, for the Luk Wai Lottery. The printing press, type, paper, and stacks of tickets, fresh from the printers' hands, were found while the printer was seen in the act of rolling off another sheet. The seven men were gathered in, while the whole printing outfit, paper, tickets, etc., were seized, together with the paraphernalia for gambling found in the other raided establishments. The men were placed before Mr. F. A. Hazledan, at the Magistracy, Mr. D. V. Stevenson, of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon, being retained for the defence of five of them, the rest being unrepresented. Mr. Stevenson applied for a remand, which was granted to enable him to prepare his case for the defence, bail being fixed at \$1,000 each. By request of the police the other cases were also remanded, similar bail being allowed in each case. Mr. Stevenson applied for a reduction of bail in his clients' cases, but his Worship did not see his way to granting any reduction, and the cases stand remanded until the 27th inst.

DECEMBER CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

The December Criminal Sessions were continued this morning at ten o'clock, the Chief Justice (Sir Henry S. Berkeley) presiding.

ANOTHER ARMED ROBBERY.

Lau Tau, Yeung Tse and Yeung San, three Hakkas, were indicted for being concerned in an armed robbery, with attempted and committing grievous bodily harm at Matakook on the night of the 27th November last. There were six indictments for violence against each prisoner.

They pleaded not guilty, and the following jurors were sworn: H. W. Fraser, G. Rapp, G. M. Smith, W. Schmidt, P. E. Heermann, R. H. King, and F. A. Wendt.

Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., prosecuted on behalf of the Crown.

The evidence went to show that the prisoners, armed with knives, set out with the fixed intention of stealing. They boarded three lighters moored off the Naval Yard Extension Works at Matakook. They entered the cabin of an elderly Chinese who was in charge of one of the lighters, and prisoner No. 1 cut him on the head, twice on the arm, and on the left wrist with a knife. In the struggle the man's wife received a cut on the finger, while trying to assist her husband. The first prisoner was knocked into the water, but he was arrested by an Indian policeman.

The second and third prisoners were arrested as the result of what No. 1 told the police, and they subsequently made voluntary statements admitting that they were taken by No. 1 to the lighters, their intention being to commit a felony.

The jury found the prisoners guilty.

Further charges against the men were not proceeded with.

His Lordship, in passing sentence, characterised the prisoners as desperadoes, and it was necessary for the safety of the community that they be put out of the way for a considerable time. They would each have to go to prison with hard labour for five years, and each receive twenty-four lashes within the first six months of their incarceration.

THE CHARGE OF MURDER AGAINST EUROPEANS.

The charge of murder against the three men—Nelson, Smith, and Haymann—has been set down for hearing on Thursday morning at ten o'clock. The prisoners have engaged the services of Mr. O. D. Thomson, solicitor, and have made application for a further day in which to complete their defence.

THE ADJOURNMENT.

The Court rose at noon, beyond the trial on the capital charge there being no further business before the Court.

LIONS IN HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

KILLED AT MANILA.

Four dead lionesses were brought ashore in the lighter *Nautchu* yesterday afternoon, says the *Manila Bulletin*, of the 17th ult. Harmston's circus, on the 17th ult. at noon, and immediately proceeded to disembark on the lighter. The animals were transferred to the lighter in their cages, and were all apparently in perfect condition at the time.

A few minutes after having started for the custom house wharf, a circus employee noticed that one of the four lionesses seemed to be in distress and called Mr. Lindo, the animal trainer, to the scene.

Almost immediately afterwards the remaining three were seized with the same symptoms and lay writhing and struggling on the floor of the cage. Ten minutes later the whole four lay dead.

Immediately a rush was made for the cage containing the tiger, and he was found to be in a very similar condition.

Mr. Lindo, intuitively divining that the cause must be want of air, opened the cage, and the tiger speedily recovered, showing that the cause had been rightly guessed.

The cages are fitted with an opening a foot square in the top, and have, in addition above the bars at the sides, a series of smaller holes extending entirely around them.

Mr. Lindo said that in a long experience in the circus line such an occurrence was only paralleled once before, and that was in the Red Sea, where he lost one lion.

Captain Love, as he looked at the dead bodies of his star performers, remarked that they had cost \$4,500 gold, and would be most difficult to replace as they were thoroughly trained and very intelligent, and Mr. Lindo, their keeper, added that although one of them in a savage fit had torn his thigh open to the bone a few months ago, he would gladly give his right arm to have them in a condition to do it again.

The dead animals are not entirely valueless as their skins are worth \$125 gold apiece, which is small, however, compared with an original individual cost of \$1,000.

Stock and Wombell, the great animal dealers in New York, will immediately be given an order for other animals to replace those so unfortunately lost, but it will take time to fill the order and immeasurable patience to train them to the standard of performing excellence attained by the dead ones.

Mr. Lindo stated that he had exhibited them all over Europe and everywhere they had been highly praised.

The great elephant sixteen years old, costing \$10,000, quietly walked ashore, paying no attention to the crowd of onlookers, until a cocher driving closer than he liked, he raised his trunk and trumpeted in a way that sent the natives running for their lives. The rest of the animals came ashore without mishap.

Notwithstanding the unfortunate incident, the show will open to-night at the large tent erected just below the National theatre on Calle Cervantes, Santa Cruz district.

A Jap acrobat, belonging to the circus, was denied a landing yesterday afternoon by the authorities, on the ground, it is supposed, that he is afflicted with a disease of the eyes.

THE BATTLESHIP "YASHIMA"

As some doubt has been thrown on the recent story of the sinking of the Japanese battleship *Yashima*, we may mention that she struck a mine and sank on the 15th of June last, shortly after the *Hatsumi* was lost in the same manner. The ironclad that the Russians mistook for the *Yashima* when they fled from Admiral Togo on the occasion of their abortive sortie on the 10th of August last was the old *Chiyuma*, formerly the *Chinyen*, built at Stettin in 1882, and taken from the Chinese at Weihaiwei in 1895.—N. C. D. News.

BOWLING.

HONGKONG CLUB v. CLUB GERMANIA.

The Bowling Competition between the Hongkong Club and Club Germania for the new Challenge Cup was brought to a conclusion last evening, when the former won with a majority in their favour of 629 points. The full scores are as follows:—

HONGKONG CLUB.

	1	2	3	4	Total
C. P. Chater	Home	216	134	170	180
	Away	236	191	221	191
T. C. Gray	Home	207	154	150	216
	Away	219	201	165	196
E. H. Hinds	Home	235	158	170	180
	Away	245	182	163	124
J. Hooper	Home	208	117	187	214
	Away	177	185	200	155
J. W. G. Bonnar	Home	226	122	151	173
	Away	161	214	195	183
H. Hancock	Home	191	109	163	163
	Away	173	225	228	111
F. Maitland	Home	211	144	112	158
	Away	123	200	186	130
C. H. Gale	Home	171	171	124	174
	Away	146	181	172	158

Grand Total.....11,241

CLUB GERMANIA.

	1	2	3	4	Total
A. Rombach	Home	202	215	227	174
	Away	143	191	154	179
C. Koch	Home	247	245	175	149
	Away	185	120	177	136
J. Mueller	Home	220	234	185	144
	Away	161	165	115	124
A. Thiesen	Home	205	215	218	140
	Away	137	103	171	155
E. Eberius	Home	207	188	164	152
	Away	160	135	126	190
E. Vollbrecht	Home	182	193	182	185
	Away	186	104	116	137
J. Thun	Home	135	167	193	177
	Away	116	128	131	155
F. Nicolai	Home	208	192	169	152
	Away	153	127	84	107

Total.....10,612

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

There is little change to note in the condition of the market for the past few days. The forthcoming settlement is engaging the attention of operators, and until the new account opens in January business, on the whole, must be of a desultory character.

Fire insurance shares have inquiries at quotations; these stocks are held by investors and the absence of losses leads them to expect better rates.

Indo-China cash shares are easier, but the inquiry for forward deliveries, in particular May and June, continue unabated. Hence a higher rate rules than the equivalent of the cash quotation. China Sugars are quiet, and no business is reported, although at \$224 shares can be placed. Farnhams are slightly better and are inquired for at Tls. \$167 cash. Langkats are quoted Tls. 280 at Shanghai. The following telegraphic information dated 16th inst. has been received from the Sumatra Director and Manager of the Maatschappij for Mijn Boschhen Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat, Ld.:—

Daily aggregate output of Crude Petroleum Gallons 86,000
Crude Petroleum in Tanks at date..... " 220,000
Kerosene made since the date of the preceding half-monthly telegram.....Cases 77,000
Kerosene shipped since the date of the preceding half-monthly telegram..... " 95,000
Kerosene in stock at Refinery at date..... " 45,000

There have been sales of China Borneos at \$13, while Powell, Ld., have advanced to \$12 and close with buyers at the rate.

THE WEIHAIWEI GOLD MINING CO., LD.

The crisis in the affairs of the Weihaiwei Gold Mining Company is tied over as the result of an informal meeting of shareholders held on the 16th inst. at the Chamber of Commerce room, Yuenmingyuen Road, Shanghai. It was a largely attended meeting and on the whole a cheerful one. The general feeling, as indicated by the applause following a remark, was that the International Banking Corporation had been rather hasty in driving the company into an awkward corner, but the situation was one to be saved, and the only question was how it should be done. The Directors came in for some criticism. At the very outset of the meeting a shareholder expressed the opinion that the circular convening the meeting might have been worded in less alarming terms, and thus the sending of the share quotations down practically to zero avoided. Another point raised was that the Board had not taken the opportunity a few weeks since, when the shares were at a premium, to issue the balance of their ordinary shares. To this the chairman (Mr. Marcus Wolff) could only reply that an error of judgment had been committed.

We hold over an extended report of the meeting, which continued for about two hours. The Chairman in an introductory statement explained how the crisis had arisen; through the Bank refusing to allow the overdraft to be increased beyond the present amount of \$38,737.68, or to continue it unless satisfactory security, personal or otherwise, were deposited against it. They had, however, agreed to accept as part payment the \$10 call on the 3,777 preference shares re-

cently called up, releasing their lien on the property. But in the meantime the company was without money to meet immediate liabilities and unless the meeting adopted some extraordinary measures, it was impossible to carry on.

Mr. J. R. Duff, the expert adviser of the Company, had written a letter based on his examination after the first crashings; and this was read. It explained that many circumstances made it impossible to judge the probable outcome of gold by the results of the first crashing, and expressed the confident opinion that the mine would be paying expenses and showing a profit within three months. His lowest estimate of the average output to be expected after that time was 5 dwts. per ton, and expenses should be covered by 2 dwts. leaving a profit of 2 dwts. Taking 80 tons a day with only 20 stamps and 300 days in the year this represented a possible profit of \$72,000 gold.

Mr. F. E. Taylor, as a shareholder with considerable interests, who had looked into the situation carefully, made a decidedly optimistic speech.

There was an animated discussion as to how the money required should be obtained, many shareholders wishing to have a uniform call made in order to give all an equal benefit and interest. This, however, the Chairman explained, was impossible as time was too limited. Debentures redeemable in six months at twelve per cent. per annum were subscribed in the room with great eagerness, and the amount required to save the situation was rapidly more than subscribed.—N. C. D. News.

Shanghai advices, of the 16th inst., state:—Business reported:—Shanghai and Hongkong

Wharfs shares at Tls. 153 1/2 for December, P.N.1 Indo-Chinas at Tls. 91 for December. Farnham Boys at Tls. 164/163 cash, Tls. 164/163 1/2 for December, Tls. 164/165/166 for January, and Tls. 168/169 for March. Wei-hai-wei Golds at \$17. Maatschappij at Tls. 284/285 cash and for December, Tls. 295/297 1/2 for March.

Business done direct:—Farnham Boys at Tls. 162 1/2/164 1/2/163 for December, Tls. 168/169/165/166 for January, and Tls. 172 1/2/168/170/170 1/2 for March. Wei-hai-wei Golds at \$16. Maatschappij at Tls. 297 1/2/195 for March. Ices at Tls. 20.

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DAVID SASSOON & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1904.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

"ROON,"

Captain G. Meiners, due here with the outward German Mail about THURSDAY, A.M., will leave for the above places about 12/24 hours after arrival.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1904.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG,"

Captain P. H. Rolfe, will be despatched as above, on FRIDAY, the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1904.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, STRAITS AND RANGOON.

THE Company's Steamship

"PALAMCOTTA,"

Captain Garland, will be despatched as above, on TUESDAY, the 27th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1904.

Intimations.

MARK
TRADE
CURES
MEN & WOMEN
BIG Q is a non-poisonous remedy for any venereal discharge and inflammation, of mucous membranes. Painless. Guaranteed not to re-appear. Prevents contamination. SOLD BY CHEMISTS. Circular mailed on request. THE PATENT CHEMISTS, CINCINNATI, O., U.S.A.

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LI KWONG LOONG,

李廣隆

CABINET-MAKER AND ART DECORATOR,

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No. 45, DES VUEX ROAD CENTRAL.

The only Shop in Hongkong with this name.

WHERE HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE

of every description can be made to

order in any design required.

Has been patronised by the Hongkong Club, Hongkong Hotel, Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Joint Telegraphs Co., and other leading

Establishments in the Colony, to whom reference may be made as to the Superior Workmanship and Materials of the Furniture, &c., supplied.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. write as follows:—

"We have pleasure in stating that Mr. LI KWONG LOONG furnished the Annex to our Dispensary and gave us every satisfaction."

(Sd.) A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.

ORDERS punctually attended to, and CHARGES most moderate.

AN INSPECTION INVITED.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1904.

"Sanitas"
Unparalleled
Purifying Agent
AND IS
Indispensable in Hot Countries.
"Sanitas" Disinfecting Fluid
is non-poisonous and non-staining, and for general or personal use is thoroughly effective. It completely disinfects the house in which it is used, and administered internally prevents Cholera, Typhoid Fever, Dysentery, etc.
"Sanitas" Disinfecting Powder
is the best air purifier known, and a strong disinfectant and deodorant. For the disinfection of infected places, bedding, clothing, etc., being pleasant and refreshing.
"Sanitas" Eucalyptus Soap
is specially recommended by the medical faculty for use in hot climates, because of its fine disinfecting qualities and its fragrance.
Kingszett's Fumigating Candles
apply the safest and most convenient method of fumigation. For the disinfection of infected places, bedding, clothing, etc., they are both efficacious and economical. Destroy all insects.
THE "SANITAS" CO. LTD.
BETHNAL GREEN,
LONDON, E.

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"SILVERLIP"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 26th instant, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 26th instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 26th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE F. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"TIEN TSIEN,"

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE F. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"MALTA,"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., ex S.S. Himalaya and Mormora.
From Australia, ex S.S. Macedonia.
From Calcutta, ex S.S. Sardania.
From Persian Gulf, &c., ex B. I. S. N. and B. P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1904.

S.S. "DUMBEA"

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining unclaimed after 21st December, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 21st December, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 21st December, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. BRIDOU,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1904.

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORITY of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery. Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superiority will also be most grateful for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1904.

F. G. FIOG,
Acting Director.

Hongkong, Observatory, 2nd January, 1905.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

A NEW CODE.

We have received from the Hongkong Observatory a new code of meteorological signals which comes into force at Hongkong on New Year's Day. They are the same as those at present in

SERIES
TIMES
STEAMERS.

The S.S. "TONKIN."

Captain R. Schmitz, will be despatched for MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 27th DECEMBER, at 1 P.M.

Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports.

Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.

Next sailings will be as follows:—
S.S. DUMDEA 10th January, 1905.
S.S. AUSTRALIEN 24th January, 1905.
S.S. SALAZIE 7th February, 1905.

L. BRIDOU,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1904.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,
ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN
PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND
LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,
PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERI-
CAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"BENGAL."

Captain G. Phillips, carrying His Majesty's
Mails, will be despatched from this for
BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 31st
December, at Noon, taking Passengers and
Cargo for the above ports in connection with
the Company's S.S. Victoria, 6,522 tons,
from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in
which vessel is secured before departure from
Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France,
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will
be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail
steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and
London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be
conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. Oriental,
due in London on the 12th February, 1905.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4
P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and
Value of all Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1904.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.
BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY.

Connecting at Tacoma with
NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY
COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR
VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA,
VIA
MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	Sailing.
Pleades 1	3,753	F.G. Purinton	Ab. Dec. 20
Tremont	9,666	T. W. Garlick	Jan. 10
Lya 1	4,417	G. V. Williams	Feb. 9
Pleades 1	3,753	F.G. Purinton	Mar. 4

1 Cargo only.

FOR MANILA.

The largest, steadiest, and most comfortable
steamer for Manila.

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CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION,
ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE, ELECTRIC
LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESSES.

The twin-screw s.s. Shawmut and Tremont
have just been fitted with very superior accom-
modation for first and second class passengers.
The large size of these vessels ensures steady-
ness at sea. Electric fan in each room.
Barber's shop and steam-laundry. Cargo
carried in cold storage.

For further information, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
General Agents.

Queen's Buildings,
Hongkong, 29th December, 1904.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

A FOOK & Co.,
SHIP AND HOUSE COMPRADORES,
have this day
REMOVED

TO
No. 12, POTTINGER STREET,
(opposite their old establishment).
Hongkong, 24th November, 1904.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

ONE VERTICAL ENGINE with Fly
Wheel and Governor, one cylinder 9 1/2
inches diameter by 8 inch stroke.
One VERTICAL ENGINE with Fly Wheel
and Governor, one cylinder 12 1/2 inches diameter
by 18 inch stroke.
One HORIZONTAL ENGINE with Fly
Wheel and Governor, one cylinder 11 1/2 inches
diameter by 30 inch stroke.
One HORIZONTAL ENGINE with Fly
Wheel and Governor, one cylinder 16 inches
diameter by 30 inch stroke.
The above can be inspected, and all particu-
lars obtained, upon application to the
Manager, Kowloon Docks.

W. B. DIXON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1904.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 37 1/2 lbs. net \$5.00 per Cask
ex Factory.

In Bags of 250 lbs. net \$8.20 per Bag
ex Factory.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1904.

FOR SALE.

INCANDESCENT
LAMP
GASOLINE
LAMPS

OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS,
from the best makers.

INCANDESCENT
MANTLES,
OHIMNEYS,
GLOBES,
SHADES, &c.,
for
GASOLINE AND GAS
LAMPS

at the most moderate
prices.

Lamps fixed up for
Buyers free of charge.

Naphtha of the best
kind kept in stock.

TAI KWONG CO.,

56, Lyndhurst Terrace.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1904.

To Let.

TO LET.

FLATS, for OFFICES, in New Buildings,
next to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.,
Pedder's Street. Electric Lift.
Apply to—
AHMET RUMJAHN,
64, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1904.

TO LET.

EUROPEAN HOUSES, Nos. 2 to 4 to 8
and 10 to 15, GAP ROAD, facing Race
Course, within reach of the Electric Cars,
thoroughly cleansed and colour-washed, in flats
or whole.
Apply to—
S. A. SETH,
Land and Estate Broker,
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 17th November, 1904.

TO LET.

WILD DELL BUILDINGS, No. 147,
WANCHAI ROAD. Comfortable and
Airtily Flats of 2 or 3 Rooms, from \$25 inclusive
of Taxes.
No. 13, MOSQUE JUNCTION.
And others to suit various requirements.
S. A. SETH,
Land and Estate Broker,
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 14th October, 1904.

TO LET.

ONE ROOM on the First Floor of
ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.
Apply to—
SECRETARY,
A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1904.

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 3, New Praya, Kennedy
Town.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 21st November, 1904.

TO LET.

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE,
THE PEAK.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1904.

TO LET.

NO. 1, RIFON TERRACE.
A HOUSE in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD.
FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing
Polo Ground.
OFFICES in course of erection, CON-
NAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIER).
GODOWNS: PRAYA EAST.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904.

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. BENJAMIN, KELLY & POTTIS. Corrected to noon; later alterations given in det. "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT. RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE DIVIDEND AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	\$125	\$125	{ 1,000,000 \$7,000,000 \$250,000	\$1,492,554	{ Div. of £1.10/- @ exchange 1/9 15/16 \$16.41 for first half-year 1904	5 1/2 %	{ \$215 sellers London 270
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£7	{ \$175,533 \$191,973	\$21,668	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	5 1/2 %	{ \$39 sellers
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,400,000 \$1,730	\$150,494	\$17 for 1903	6 1/2 %	{ \$250 buyers
China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	{ \$950,000 \$181,992 \$363,366 \$371,445	Nil.	\$4 1/2 for year ended 30.4.1904	7 1/2 %	{ \$58
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	{ Tls. 800,000	Tls. 217,119	Final of 10/- making £1 for 1903	8 %	{ Tls. 95. sa. & s.
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	{ \$1,850,000 \$20,000 \$374,749 \$893,110 \$846,773	\$2,078,997	\$35 for 1903	5 %	{ \$700 sales
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	\$100	\$60	{ \$700,000 \$37,794	\$486,284	\$12 for 1902	8 %	{ \$150 buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$400	\$20	{ \$1,000,000 \$125,675 \$1,361	\$359,047	\$6 dividend & \$1 bonus for 1902	8 %	{ \$90 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,170,288	\$371,110	\$22 1/2 for 1902	6 1/2 %	{ \$335 buyers
SHIPPING, TUG AND CARGO BOATS.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	{ none	Dr. \$63,123	\$5 for 1900	...	{ \$24
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	{ none \$185,000 \$80,935	Nil.	\$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	6 %	{ \$33 1/2 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	{ \$250,000 \$600,000 \$157,555	\$16,362	\$1 1/2 for first half-year 1904	10 1/2 %	{ \$28 sales
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	60,000	£10	£10	{ £205,000 £100,000	£5,853	10/- for 1903 @ 1/10 5/16 = \$5.378	4 1/2 %	{ \$127
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ none	Tls. 35,541	Interim of Tls. 2 for 1904	8 1/2 %	{ Tls. 50 sales Tls. 48 sales
Do. (Preference)	100,000						8 %	
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	{ £400,000	£19,555	Interim of 1/4 (Coupon No. 4) for 1903	4 %	{ 25/6 sellers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$60,000	\$1,287	\$1.80 & b. 40 cts for year ending 30.4.04	5 1/2 %	{ \$40 sellers
	10,000	\$10	\$5	{ \$15,093		\$0.90 & b. 20 cts	5 1/2 %	{ \$30 sellers
Straits Steamship Company, Limited	5,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$400,000 \$21,075 \$18,000 \$130,153	\$33,648	\$5 for 2nd & 4-year making \$13 for 1903	9 %	{ \$145 sellers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	{ Tls. 98,000 Tls. 201,614	Tls. 865	Interim of Tls. 1 1/2 for 1904	10 %	{ Tls. 30 sellers
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	{ none	Dr. \$147,717	Interim of \$5 for 1904	...	{ \$225
Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	{ none	Dr. \$73,905	\$3 for 1897	...	{ \$17
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 100,000	Tls. 1,635	Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.04	4 1/2 %	{ Tls. 57 1/2 ex div.
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	{ £40,000	£7,820	No. 3 of 1/6	...	{ Tls. 6 1/2 buyers
Oriental Consolidated Mining Company, Limited	50,000	G \$10	G \$10	{ none	G \$672,093	50 cents making G \$1 for 1904	6 1/2 %	{ G \$16 1/2 sales
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	50,000	£1	£1	{ £4,873	Dr. £4,029	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents	...	{ \$4 1/2 sellers
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 250	{ Fcs. 251,337 Fcs. 1,129,652	Fcs. 85,706	Final of Fcs. 25 making Fcs. 55 for 1903	...	{ \$490
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$70,000	\$10,517	\$3.75 for 1903	8 %	{ \$45 sellers
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$50,089 \$28,015	\$28,015	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1904	4 1/2 %	{ \$14 sellers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$25,500	\$505,471	{ \$6 dividend and \$2 bonus for first half- year 1904	7 1/2 %	{ \$217 1/2 sellers
Howarth Erskine, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$60,000		\$10 div. & \$5 bonus for year end. 30/6/04	7 1/2 %	{ \$203 buyers
New Amoy Dock Company, Limited	6,000	\$64	\$64	{ \$55,500	\$489	\$14 for 1903	4 1/2 %	{ \$27 sellers
Riley Hargreaves & Co., Limited	6,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$150,000	\$49,935	{ \$10 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	6 1/2 %	{ \$192 1/2
Do. (Preference)	2,750					{ \$7 dividend	6 1/2 %	{ \$118
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Limited	55,200	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 900,000	Tls. 48,153	Tls. 7 final—Tls. 12 for year end. 30.4.04	7 1/2 %	{ Tls. 167 buyers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company	32,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 487,210	Tls. 22,895	Interim of Tls. 4 for 1904	8 1/2 %	{ Tls. 132 1/2
Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Limited	37,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$2,100,000	\$43,732	\$6 for first half year 1904	5 %	{ \$32 1/2
Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited	2,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 6,000	Tls. 1,760	Tls. 18 for 1903	9 1/2 %	{ Tls. 190 sales
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	{ none	\$9,989	\$2 1/2 for year ended 30.6.1904	9 %	{ \$28 sales
Astor House Hotel, Limited (Tientsin)	2,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	{ Tls. 41,000	Tls. 655	Interim of Tls. 4	6 %	{ Tls. 150
China Land and Finance Company, Limited	6,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ \$100,000 \$11,824		Interim of Tls. 2	...	{ Tls. 55
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$100,000 \$11,824	\$11,668	\$5 for first half-year 1904	8 %	{ \$145 sales
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$100,000 \$11,824	\$11,668	Interim of \$6 for 1904	8 %	{ \$145 sales
Hotel des Colonies Company, Limited (Shanghai)	9,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	{ Tls. 13,986 \$20,507	Tls. 680	Tls. 0.87 1/2 for the year ending 31.3.1904	4 1/2 %	{ Tls. 20 1/2 sales
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$200,000 \$9,177	\$9,177	90 cents for 1903	7 1/2 %	{ \$121
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	{ none \$636	\$636	\$2.60 for 1903	6 1/2 %	{ \$381 buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 800,000 Tls. 150,800 Tls. 17,144	Tls. 37,634	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1904	7 %	{ Tls. 117 sales
Tientsin Hotel des Colonies, Limited	1,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ none	Dr. Tls. 2,132	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2	...	{ Tls. 49 sellers
Tientsin Land Investment Company, Limited	7,726	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 54,626	Tls. 325	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1904	7 %	{ Tls. 125
Wei-hai-wei Land and Building Company, Limited	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	{ none	Tls. 5,150	None	...	{ Tls. 12 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	{ none \$1,362	\$1,362	Interim of \$1 1/2 for 1904	5 %	{ \$59 sellers
COTTON MILLS.								
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ none	Tls. 11,655	Tls. 4 for year ended 31.10.1903	4 1/2 %	{ Tls. 25 buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	{ none	\$22,862	50 cents for the year ending 31.7.04	3 1/2 %	{ \$198
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	{ Tls. 30,098	Tls. 88,034	Interim of 3 a/c 1898	...	{ Tls. 21 1/2 buyers
Lau-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ none	Tls. 15,500	Interim of 4 a/c 1898 on 6,000 shares	...	{ Tls. 30 sales
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	{ Tls. 5,658	Tls. 26,389	4 % for 1897	...	{ Tls. 150
COGARS AND TOBACCO COS.								
Alhambra, Limited	300	\$200	\$200	{ \$779	nil	\$125 for year ending 30.6.1900	...	{ \$100 buyers
Philippine Company, Limited	67,500	\$10	\$10	{ none		First year	...	{ \$9 1/2
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	{ Tls. 24,820 Tls. 25,000 \$219,000 \$25,000	Tls. 1,091	Interim of Tls. 3	9 1/2 %	{ Tls. 65 sales
MISCELLANEOUS.								
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$250,000 \$25,000	\$2,883	Interim of 50 cents for 1904	8 %	{ \$121
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	{ none	\$161	6d. per share for 1903	5 1/2 %	{ \$5
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,000	\$10	\$10	{ none \$5,500	\$596	\$3 for 1903	7 1/2 %	{ \$30 buyers
Central Stores, Limited	6,000	\$15	\$12	{ \$20,000	\$1,253	Interim of \$1.20 for 1904	11 1/2 %	{ \$22 sellers
Do. (Founders')	123					None	...	{ \$100
Do. (New Issue)	24,000	\$15	\$7 1/2	{ none	First year	Preferential of 7 per cent for 1904	6 1/2 %	{ \$8 sales
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	{ none	Nil.	60 cents for 1903	4 1/2 %	{ \$131 sales
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,942	Tls. 6 for 1903	8 %	{ \$10 sales
China Light and Power Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	{ none	\$3,739	None	...	{ \$01 sales
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	100,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$5,000	\$1,171	80 cents for 1903	8 1/2 %	{ \$12 buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	{ none		\$1 1/2 for year ending 31.7.1903	...	{ Tls. 10 sellers
E. L. Mondon, Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ none	Dr. Tls. 152,318	Tls. 5 for 1904	7 1/2 %	{ \$100 sales
Fraser and Neave, Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$111,500	\$2,706	\$5 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	5 %	{ \$30 buyers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$350,000	\$32,115	\$1.50 for 1903	14 %	{ \$45 sales
Hall & Holt, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	{ \$186,000 £23,109 £3,000	\$32,104	Interim of \$1	...	{ \$160 buyers
Hongkong & China Gas Company, Limited	7,000	£10	£10	{ £23,109 £3,000	£7,625	£1 div. and 2/- bonus for 1903	7 1/2 %	{ \$15 buyers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	{ none	\$1,747	{ 50 cents for year ending 30.4.1904 \$20 for year ending 30.11.1903	5 1/2 %	{ \$9 buyers
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Ltd.	1,750	\$100	\$100	{ \$30,000	\$4,283	Interim of \$4 for 1904	7 %	{ \$280 sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$5,844	\$5,844	\$10 for 1903	6 %	{ \$150
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$50,000	\$8,395	Final of 70 cts. and 50 cts. bonus making \$1.50 for year ending 30.6.04	6 1/2 %	{ \$20 sales
Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$2,500	\$299	\$13 for 1903	9 1/2 %	{ \$135 buyers
Kats Brothers, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$375,000		Interim of 35	9 1/2 %	{ \$140 buyers
Lane, Crawford & Co., Limited (Shanghai)	2,500	\$100	\$100	{ none	\$21,582	4th quarterly of Tls. 5, paid 15.12.04 making in all Tls. 35 for 1904	12 1/2 %	{ Tls. 285 buyer
Maatschappij tot Mijn. Bosch en Landbouwer- ijplaat in Langkat.	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	{ Tls. 334,669 Tls. 11,143	Tls. 27,187	\$2 for year ending 31.10.1903	7 1/2 %	{ \$27 buyers
Maycard and Company, Limited	3,400	\$10	\$10	{ none	\$803	Final of \$3 making \$5 for the year ending 30.6.04	9 %	{ \$55 sales
S. Moutrie & Company, Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$1,000	\$832	None	...	{ \$50
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$50	\$50	{ None	Dr. \$5,537	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for 1904	8 %	{ Tls. 105 sales
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	16,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 100,000 Tls. 108,172	Tls. 7,548	Tls. 5 for 1903	15 1/2 %	{ Tls. 60 buyers
Shanghai Horse Bazaar Company, Limited	5,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 45,000	Tls. 10,247	Interim of Tls. 6 for 1904	12 1/2 %	{ Tls. 105
Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 10,000	Tls. 3,288	Interim of 15/- for 1904	6 %	{ Tls. 400 buyers
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	7,000	£20	£20	{ Tls. 120,000	Tls. 7,369	\$5 for year ended 31.7.1903	5 1/2 %	{ \$90
Singapore Dispensary, Limited	600	\$50	\$50	{ \$6,000		None	...	{ \$23 nominal
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	{ none	Dr. \$39,000	60 cents for year ended 31.5.04	8 1/2 %	{ \$7
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	5,000	\$5	\$5	{ none	\$3,644	First year	...	{ \$4 sales
Straits Ice Company, Limited	10,000	\$5	\$5	{ none		\$7 1/2 for second half year 1903	9 1/2 %	{ \$60 sales
Straits Trading Company, Limited	250,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$650,000	\$83,403	{ \$1 dividend and 25 cents bonus for half year ended 30.3.1904	7 %	{ \$38 1/2 sellers
Tebrau Planting Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	{ none	Dr. \$22,551	None	...	{ \$1 1/2 sellers
Tientsin Native City Waterworks Company, Ltd.	2,941	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ none	Tls. 413	Tls. 2 for half year	...	{ Tls. 110
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	T.Tls. 100	T.Tls. 100	{ Tls. 15,259	Tls. 667	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 8 for 1903/4	6 1/2 %	{ Tls. 330
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900	\$10	\$10	{ \$20,000		90 cents for 1903	9 1/2 %	{ \$91 buyers
Do. (Founders')	1,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$20,000		{ \$29.70 for year ended 31.5.1904	10 1/2 %	{ \$180 buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$4,802	\$1,043	\$1 for 1903	10 1/2 %	{ \$91 sellers
William Powell, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$3,000	\$588	Final of 70 cents making \$1.20 for the year ending 30.6.1904	5 1/2 %	{ \$121 buyers